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- a) Added Annex F on User Authentication. Describes the Role Information Model that also allows configuration of Roles.
- b) Added new data types: "Union", "Decimal", "OptionSet", "DateString", "TimeString", "DurationString", "NormalizedString", "DecimalString", and "AudioDataType".
- c) Added Method to request a state change in a Server.
- d) Added Method to set Subscription to persistent mode.

- e) Added Method to request resending of data from a Subscription.
- f) Added concept allowing to temporarily create a file to write to or read from a server in C.4.
- g) Added new Variable type to support Selection Lists.
- h) Added optional properties to FiniteStateMachineType to expose currently available states and transitions.
- i) Added UrisVersion Property to ServerType. This version information can be used for session-less service invocation.

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Part 5: Information Model

1 Scope

This part of IEC 62541 defines the Information Model of the OPC Unified Architecture. The Information Model describes standardized *Nodes* of a *Server's AddressSpace*. These *Nodes* are standardized types as well as standardized instances used for diagnostics or as entry points to server-specific *Nodes*. Thus, the Information Model defines the *AddressSpace* of an empty OPC UA *Server*. However, it is not expected that all *Servers* will provide all of these *Nodes*.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC TR 62541-1, *OPC Unified Architecture – Part 1: Overview and Concepts*

IEC 62541-3, *OPC Unified Architecture – Part 3: Address Space Model*

IEC 62541-4, *OPC Unified Architecture – Part 4: Services*

IEC 62541-6, *OPC Unified Architecture – Part 6: Mappings*

IEC 62541-7, *OPC Unified Architecture – Part 7: Profiles*

IEC 62541-9, *OPC Unified Architecture – Part 9: Alarms and Conditions*

IEC 62541-10, *OPC Unified Architecture – Part 10: Programs*

IEC 62541-11, *OPC Unified Architecture – Part 11: Historical Access*

ISO/IEC/IEEE 60559:2011, *Information technology – Microprocessor Systems – Floating-Point arithmetic*

IETF RFC 2045, Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions (MIME) Part One: Format of Internet Message Bodies
<http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2045.txt>

IETF RFC 2046, Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions (MIME) Part Two: Media Types
<https://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2046.txt>

IETF RFC 2047, Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions (MIME) Part Three: Message Header Extensions for Non-ASCII Text
<http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2047.txt>

XML Schema Part 1: Structures
<http://www.w3.org/TR/xmlschema-1/>

XML Schema Part 2: Datatypes
<http://www.w3.org/TR/xmlschema-2/>

Xpath: XML Path Language
<http://www.w3.org/TR/xpath/>

IETF RFC 3629: UTF-8, a transformation format of ISO 10646
<http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc3629.txt>

3 Terms, definitions, abbreviated terms and conventions

3.1 Terms and definitions

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3.1.1

ClientUserId

string that identifies the user of the client requesting an action

Note 1 to entry: The *ClientUserId* is obtained directly or indirectly from the *UserIdentityToken* passed by the *Client* in the *ActivateSession* Service call. See 6.4.3 for details.

3.2 Abbreviated terms

UA Unified Architecture

XML eXtensible Markup Language

3.3 Conventions for Node descriptions

Node definitions are specified using tables (see Table 2).

Attributes are defined by providing the *Attribute* name and a value, or a description of the value.

References are defined by providing the *ReferenceType* name, the *BrowseName* of the *TargetNode* and its *NodeClass*.

- If the *TargetNode* is a component of the *Node* being defined in the table, the *Attributes* of the composed *Node* are defined in the same row of the table.
- The *DataType* is only specified for *Variables*; "[<number>]" indicates a single-dimensional array, for multi-dimensional arrays the expression is repeated for each dimension (e.g. [2][3] for a two-dimensional array). For all arrays the *ArrayDimensions* is set as identified by <number> values. If no <number> is set, the corresponding dimension is set to 0, indicating an unknown size. If no number is provided at all, the *ArrayDimensions* can be omitted. If no brackets are provided, it identifies a scalar *DataType* and the *ValueRank* is set to the corresponding value (see IEC 62541-3). In addition, *ArrayDimensions* is set to null or is omitted. If it can be Any or ScalarOrOneDimension, the value is put into "{<value>}", so either "{Any}" or "{ScalarOrOneDimension}" and the *ValueRank* is set to the corresponding value (see IEC 62541-3) and the *ArrayDimensions* is set to null or is omitted. Examples are given in Table 1.